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Cutting from Foreign Papers.

John Lund, late Grenadier Guards died recently. He held the appointment for many years as headman at the Tower of London, whose duty it was to decapitate all State criminals. This sinecure is in the gift of the constable, but most likely the situation will be abolished, as in the case of the gentleman yeoman porter on the death of Mr. Murray. The last State execution took place in 1746, at the time of the Scotch rebellion. The salary is £80 per annum, with an excellent house. Mr. Lund was only seen at the Tower when the half-yearly muster took place, and had his position on the right of the warden, with a large bright hatchet on his shoulder.

English papers report the destruction by fire, at Portsmouth, on the 8th of March, of Cooke's Royal Circus. Mr. Cooke had put up a wooden building for his stabling and performing business. An endeavor was made to save the horses in the stables, but eight of the most valuable animals, including the celebrated mare, Black Bess, were burned to death. From the circus the flames spread to the houses adjoining, and before the devouring element could be overpowered no less than twenty of the adjoining houses were completely gutted.

In consequence of the ill construction and bad ventilation of the school-houses in and about London, seven thousand children, between the ages of five and fifteen years, annually lose their lives from these causes alone. So says Dr. Hillier, Secretary of the Metropolitan Medical Association.

A letter from Gen. Tur and Gen. Klapka had been published, exhorting the Hungarians not to compromise the deliverance of Hungary by a premature movement, which they say Austrian agents are fomenting. Gen. Tur urges his countrymen to preserve their forces intact for more favorable circumstances.

The English Government, struck by some inconsistencies and inaccuracies in the dates and circumstances put forward by the Chinese authorities, had offered the Chinese Government £20,000 for the production of Capt. Brabazon alive.

A telegraphic cable between the coast of Sussex and Holland was recently destroyed by driving a nail into the strand. This was done by a man on board the vessel laying it down, employed to do so by parties interested in a rival port.

An English naval chaplain of the name of Oliva attempted recently to have his father declared a lunatic. He was turned out of court pretty roughly, with a bill of costs to pay of two thousand dollars.

An original character recently died in Pomerania, Poland, whose residence was a great resort of the curious, from the circumstance that its interior walls were covered by him with the odes of Horace, in all languages, and colored letters.

A subscription had been set on foot in London to enable M. Kossoth to defend the action which the Austrian Government had commenced relative to the Hungarian notes in preparation in London.

A young Swedish girl, Christine Nilson, has been sent to Paris by the Duchess of Ostgothland, to be educated at her expense, as a singer, in consequence of the great beauty of her voice.

Rosa Bonheur has been adding to her already well-earned fame by executing several beautiful statuettes of animals in bronze, "recalling the first antique medieval sculpture."

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Dr. Laville of Paris announces a new and positive cure for the gout. We trust that he may have succeeded in conquering this "opprobrium medicorum."

The late dreadful storms in England were announced three days in advance by the London Meteorologist.

A new twenty horse power steam vessel is building for Dr. Livingstone, the African traveller.

A general famine threatens the northwest Provinces of India, and the new crops are an entire failure.

Cotton cloths may now be imported into France free of duty, provided they are reported after having been printed.

The late Duke of Sutherland's estate is now a subject of discussion in the English press. The *Court Journal* says: Although it is premature to speculate on any disposition of the vast property left by the late Duke of Sutherland, yet we believe there was an understanding, when the Duke purchased the estate of Chesham, near Maidenhead, ostensibly for the use of the Marquis and Marchioness of Stafford, that it was really intended for the duchess, in case she should be the survivor. The late Duke proved the personality alone of his father, the first duke, at under a million sterling.

The last and most astounding projectile of the cannon order is that called the Giovanni-Franci mortar cannon. The cannon itself is of open work like the late steeples of Calvary church, the breech is solid, and may be detached to throw a shell, or be screwed on to propel a solid shot. The gun tube cannot be heated by the discharge, and the apparatus is divisible and can be easily transported in pieces.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Times* writing on the 28th of March says: The rumors in circulation to-day are warlike, and have produced a certain impression on the public. If these rumors are well founded, hostilities would appear not merely probable but imminent, between the Austrians and the Piedmontese. In spite of the assurance given on behalf of Austria, that no aggression should be committed by her armies, the massing of troops goes on; and to be ready against all emergencies, it is said that Cialdini has received orders to form a fourth corps d'armes on the Po. The Austrian have declared they would not be the first to attack; the Piedmontese, I suppose, have said the same; but, as there is bad blood on both sides, any pretext will serve for either party to begin.

Colonel Gowan, the American gentleman engaged in raising the sunken fleet at Sebastopol, writes on the 12th of March: "My enterprise in clearing the harbor from the sunken fleet is progressing quite favorably, and I hope to have it entirely completed within the present year. The harbor is now practically clear of all obstructions, only eight vessels being left to raise whole. It is exceedingly difficult to pass chains under the keels of the line of battle ships, which are imbedded in the soft mud to the depth of 26 feet; but by perseverance we succeeded in mining under.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Morning Herald* says: The crisis of the Italian affairs is at hand. By a solemn vote, the Parliament, assembled at Turin, have proclaimed Rome as the Italian capital, and call upon the government to open negotiations with the Emperor of France to bring about the withdrawal of the French troops. No doubt is entertained here that the most perfect understanding exists between Cavour and the Emperor of the French as to the issue of the Roman question.

Don Carlos Gutierrez, who has been recently appointed representative of Honduras at her Britannic Majesty's Court, has for many years past been actively engaged in effecting important social and commercial improvements in the Central American States; and since his arrival in England has negotiated a treaty of friendship, commerce and navigation with Great Britain, thereby placing the relations between the United Kingdom and the Central American Republics upon a solid and durable basis.

In a letter published by the *Giornale Ufficiale di Sicilia*, Garibaldi thanks the Municipal Council of Palermo for having decreed the erection of a monument to commemorate the late revolution. He says: "But I should have preferred to see the sum appropriated for that purpose held in reserve, to purchase arms when the time shall arrive for liberating that interesting portion of Italy which still groans under Austrian tyranny."

A letter from Naples of the 20th, in the Paris *Debats*, has the following: The greatest activity now prevails in the foundry of Chateau-Neuf. There are being cast 140 12-pounders brass rifled guns for the artillery, and 300 heavy iron guns for the navy. A fresh battalion of the Neapolitan National Guard will be mobilized in the first week in April, to proceed to Florence.

The election of a member for Tiverton, in the room of Lord Palmerston, who had accepted the office of Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports, took place on the 28th of March. Lord Palmerston offered himself for re-election, and was returned without opposition.

A despatch from Berne, dated the 28th of March, says: It is stated here that the officers formerly belonging to Garibaldi's general staff, now residing out of Italy, have received orders to proceed to Brescia, to take part in a conference to be held at that place on the 6th of April.

A malignant fever had been imported into Liverpool by an Egyptian frigate, and sundry deaths had taken place and given rise to considerable alarm. Prompt remedial measures had been adopted, and it was believed that there was no cause for further fear.

Kossoth notes are now bought by some of the money changers at Milan at the rate of fifty cent. of their nominal value. It is whispered that several Hungarian soldiers have recently deserted to the Piedmonte.

The Paris correspondent of the London *Post*, writing on the 27th March, states that nearly all the American residents in Paris, whose homes lie in the Southern States, are leaving, in order to proceed to America.

The Bristol *Mercury* says: Mrs. Gurney, the lady who has lately been divorced from her husband, has purchased Harper's Court, Somersethire, the seat of the late Lord Waldegrave, which she intends for her future residence.

The Board of Trade returns for February showed a falling off in the exports of £2,348,000, as compared with February, 1859.

Count Germainy, of the Bank of France, has resigned the liquidation of the estate of M. Mires.

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MISCELLANEOUS.

St. Andrew's Society, VICTORIA, V. I.

NSTITUTED FEBRUARY 3d, 1860.

FOR THE RELIEF OF SCOTSMEN
or their descendants who may be in distress, and
to give counsel and assistance to immigrants on their
arrival here. Applications for pecuniary aid or ad-
vice to be made to the Managers.

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Plans and Specifications of Dwelling Houses,

Stairs, &c., carefully prepared, and the Erection of

Buildings Superintended.

Surveys made of Town and Country Lots.

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Office

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Jacob Strahle & Co.'s

BILLIARD TABLES.

Mr. Lewis Davis,

or the STAR AND GARTER HOTEL, Government

street, having been appointed our

Agent for Vancouver Island, British Co-

mmonia and the Pacific Coast.

Orders for our celebrated Billiard Tables, with the

new Patent Double Spring Cushion.

IVORY-TOPPED CUES, CUE WAX,

And all other Billiard fixings, if left with him,

will be promptly attended to.

JACOB STRAHL & CO.

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Dickson, Campbell & Co.,

WHARF STREET,

OFFER FOR SALE EX. RECENT ARRIVALS.

BRANDY—Martell, in case and bulk,

WHISKY—Scotch and Irish, do

RUM—Fine Old Jamaica (high proof)

OLD TOM—In case and bulk,

(Swaine, Board & Co.'s, W. Worthington & Sons', and other brands.)

GENEVA—J. de Kuyper & Sons', and Van Hoy-

tema & Co's.

SHERRY WINE—Various brands in 14 cases

and bottles,

PORT WINE—London Dock, do do

CLARET—St Julien Medoc and other brands,

CHAMPAGNE—Ch Duche, Princess Clotilde,

Jacquesson et Fils, etc.

HOCK SPARKLING—A superior article,

GINGER BRANDY—In 120 cases,

(Swaine, Board & Co.'s, W. Worthington & Sons', Henry Brett & Co's, Tanqueray's, etc., etc.)

RUM SHIRUB, CHERRY CORDIAL,

Creme de Menthe, Creme de Cassis, Creme de Noyau

my6 1m

etc., etc.

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Havana Cigars.

LATEST IMPORTATION.

FIGARO, Regalia Britannica.

General Scott do do

La Agricola do do

La Maria Luisa do do

Quijote do do

La Victoria do do

La Florida Lopez & Torre do do

THE BRITISH COLONIST

TO ADVERTISERS.

All advertisements, unless the time for which they are to be inserted is specified, will be continued until ordered out, and so charged.

Notice to Subscribers.

Subscribers to the DAILY or WEEKLY BRITISH COLONIST, in British Columbia or Washington Territory, are hereby notified that on and after this date all papers will be sent by MAIL, unless specially ordered by some other conveyance.

VICTORIA, Nov. 17th, 1860.

GRATUITOUS.

Notices of Divine Service and Advertisements of Marriages or Deaths inserted GRATUITOUSLY.

TUESDAY MORNING, MAY 21, 1861.

Land Arrearages.

The Crown Land Department has issued a notice that all unpaid instalments on land must be paid up within one month from May 9th. If not paid, they will be declared forfeited, and the land sold at public auction at the upset price of 4s. 2d. per acre.

We confess this is a very business-like way of attending to the affairs of the department. Nevertheless, the strict letter of the notice, if enforced, may cause great embarrassment to many of our settlers. In commercial or banking transactions there are often occasions when an extension of time is granted. In such cases not only the debtor is benefited, but the creditor and society at large; and commercial embarrassment entirely avoided. We regard the land arrearages in very much the same light.

If our settlers are unable to pay promptly, we should deprecate any such rigid measures as the notice from the Crown Land department would imply. Poor men struggling to make themselves homes in a new country have difficulties enough to contend with without rigidly enforcing the terms of the contract, and thereby cause the sacrifice of their stock or the loss of their farms. We regard it as a duty incumbent on Government to treat settlers with the greatest lenity. Encourage them, and wait patiently for the instalments, is our true policy. In private transactions it is painful enough to see an industrious man embarrassed, or lose his farm and have his family turned out of doors. If Government should do so it would be inhuman. We trust, therefore, that a paternal view of collecting the instalments will be taken, and no severe measures be invoked.

The means indicated in the notice—such as forfeiture and sale by auction—do not chime in exactly with the ordinary course of law. It is an error to suppose that the Crown Land department can do any such thing. The purchasers of Crown Lands have an equitable title, and if their title is withdrawn it can only be done by a decree from the Chief Justice. No man can be ejected, nor none put in possession of another's estate against the wishes of the occupant, except by legal means. Such means, however, would entail a heavy expense. On the ground, then, of avoiding expense, and the necessity for dealing leniently with our farmers, we would suggest that an extension of time to pay up the instalments be granted wherever it is necessary. We know no more painful subject to contemplate than a poor farmer being embarrassed or losing his farm through the actions of Government in interpreting the contract of sale of Crown Lands too strictly, and we trust the question will receive due consideration in the proper quarter.

The "Apology" from an Actor.

EDITOR BRITISH COLONIST:—I was exceedingly astonished to see a note in the COLONIST of this morning from a person signing himself "B. S. M." and complaining in most improper terms of certain hisses which saluted his ears during the performance at the Lyceum on Saturday night.

"B. S. M." is evidently the actor principally interested in the affair, and I think shows the greatest possible bad taste in applying epithets such as "geese" to the public upon whom he lives. When second-rate actors perpetrate stupid and pointless witticisms, and when they are ill received, they had better indulge their venom behind the curtain, and not in the columns of a newspaper. The impersonations of "B. S. M." are not so talent as to invest him with the privilege of a spoilt child of fortune to insult his patrons whenever their ideas happen to clash with his own.

As regards the remark itself, I beg to contradict "B. S. M."s" assertion as to its being in the play. I happened to have a copy in my possession, and in it no such expression as "B. S. M." made use of appears.

In conclusion, as "B. S. M." seems to be fond of quibbling I would recommend him to turn to the excellent advice Hamlet gives the players, and adopt it for the future.

ONE OF THE PUBLIC

THE JOHNSON STREET Row.—The two men arrested on Sunday by the police for fighting on Johnson street and resisting the officers, were each fined 50s., or, in default, one month's imprisonment with hard labor. Wm. Copperman, arrested on a charge of attempting to rescue the prisoners from the police, appeared with his counsel, Mr. Dennes. Officer Welch testified to seeing accused lay hold of one of the prisoners; and officer McMillan testified that Copperman had not only seized the prisoner, but had caught his (the officer's) arm at the same time, and exclaimed, "It's a d—shame to arrest that man." Mr. Dennes submitted that the charge against his client had not been sustained. The magistrate, however, considered the charge fully proven, and fined Mr. Copperman £5, at the same time remarking that he should visit all future attempts to rescue prisoners from the police with severity.

COLORED PIC-NIC.—A large number of our colored residents of both sexes went on a picnic yesterday to Cadboro Bay. They had a good time, and returned to town early in the evening.

THE new schooner, now nearly completed at Laurel Point for the Hudson Bay Company, will be ready for launching in a few days.

A FAITHLESS HUSBAND.—An elderly woman, named Mrs. Blake, arrived in town from San Juan Island one day last week, in search of her husband John Blake, who, she alleges, robbed her the day before the steamer left of \$1200, and departed for California. She asserts that she was only married to Blake a short time since, at San Francisco, and accompanied him to his farm on San Juan, where he watched an opportunity and robbed her. The case seems to be a hard one; the poor woman is somewhat advanced in years, a cripple, and we understand, he's been rendered penniless through the dishonesty of her own worthless partner. It is to be hoped that justice in some shape will ere long overtake the wrong doer.

RIVER STEAMERS.—Notwithstanding the determined opposition on Fraser River between the steamboats, which, it is thought, will continue throughout the summer, none of the proprietors seem to be rendered very nervous by the prospect before them; and we learn that a party of gentlemen from this place are at present in Portland negotiating for the purchase or charter of a steamer to be run on the Fraser during the coming season. The more the merrier. The cheaper the freights and the rates of passage, the better for both Colonies.

BE ON HAND.—A Public Meeting to take into consideration the acts of Attorney-General Cary, as representative in the Assembly of this Colony, is called for to-night, in the Lyceum. Let every voter attend.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

NOTICE.

A Meeting of the Electors OF THE TOWN OF VICTORIA.

AND AS OF THE INHABITANTS CENERALLY WILL BE HELD THIS EVENING, AT 8 o'clock, at the Lyceum, for the purpose of taking a vote on the acts of Geo. Hunter Cary, Esq., during the time he has represented the said Town in the Legislature, and also for the purpose of taking preliminary steps for forming a Reform Association.

Victoria, May 20th, 1861.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

S. M. RICHARDS'

LIME DEPOT.

HAVING JUST OPENED AN EXTENSIVE LIME Depot on Humboldt street for Esquimalt Lime, I can now supply the inhabitants of British Columbia and Vancouver Island with the best and cheapest Lime to be had in the market. All orders promptly attended to. Good wharf accommodations at the Esquimalt, [my 20]

hill, Esquimalt. [my 20]

A U C T I O N .

THIS DAY,

TUESDAY, May 21st, 1861,

At 11 o'clock, A.M.,

ON A LIBERAL CREDIT,

Choice Invoices just received ex "Naramissic," from San Francisco:

TRADE SALE.

Groceries and Provisions

10 cases Jewell & Harrison's Bacon;

10 do. do. do. Lard;

20 half bbls Extra Clear Pork;

1000 lbs California New Bacon;

15 bags Rio Coffee;

20 half bbls Crushed Sugar;

29 do. do. Sandwich Island Sugar;

50 qr sacks Self-Rising Flour;

20 kegs East Boston Syrup;

50 boxes Hill's Soap;

20 chests Black Tea, 5-lb papers,

[my 20]

Case Goods.

10 cases assorted Table Fruits, in 2-lb tins;

10 do. a-sorted Jellies;

10 do. Currant Jellies;

9 do. Tomatoes, in 2-lb tins;

10 do. Roast Beef, 2-lb tins;

10 do. Green Corn, 2-lb tins;

20 do. Saleratus;

10 do. English Jams, assorted.

[my 20]

—ALSO—

HARDWARE.

5 cases Hunt's Axes;

25 kgs Weymouth & Parker Mills Nails;

1 case Horton's "Ames" Light Shovels;

7 do. Rowland's Shovels, 4 doz. each;

20 reams Hardware Paper, assorted sizes;

And a variety of other small goods.

[my 20]

—ALSO—

CUTLERY.

An Invoice of Table and Pocket Cutlery.

TERMS—All sums over \$100, 30 days; all sums over \$300, 60 days, approved paper.

J. A. McCREA,
Auctioneer.
[my 20]

THURSDAY May 23d, 1861,

At 11 o'clock, A.M.,

AT SALESROOM, WHARF ST., FOOT OF YATES.

SPECIAL

Boot, Shoe & Clothing Sale

ON A LIBERAL CREDIT.

NOTE.—The particular attention of the Trade is called to this superior lot of goods just received from San Francisco, ex bark "Scranton."

WRIGHT & SANDERS,
Architects,
Corner of Yates and Langley Sts.
[my 20]

AUCTION.

Administrator's Sale.

D. M. DACKUM,
WILL SELL

THURSDAY, 23d INST.,

At 10½ o'clock, A.M.

SLOOP called the FANNY,

Lying near the Bridge at James' Bay,

2 Rifles,

1 Pistol, and some Clothing,

AT HIS SALESROOM ON YATES STREET,

BY ORDER OF THE ADMINISTRATOR.

[my 21d]

Alexander Stenhouse,
YATES STREET,
HOUSE AND LAND AGENT,
NOW OFFERS

TO RENT AND LEASE—SEVERAL CONVENIENT HOUSES AND STORES, advantageously situated for residence or business; also, for Sale or Lease, several valuable Lots and Premises in different parts of the city.

FOR SALE—A Farm in Metchosin, comprising 200 acres of land, with new dwelling house containing six rooms, spare rooms for servants, good stable, cow shed for 12 cows, pigsties, 14 acres of land fenced and under cultivation, and 16 acres partially fenced, half water frontage. Also, Ploughs, Harrows, and a horse Farming Implements, 29 head of cattle, 2 horses and a quantity of Fowls and Pigs.

FOR SALE—149 acres of open Prairie Land, large proportion of open prairie land, situated on Pedder Bay, water frontage and good harbor.

FOR SALE—100 acres excellent Agricultural Land in Esquimalt District.

FOR LEASE—200 acres of Land in Esquimalt District, and good house and outbuildings, garden, and paddocks fenced.

PARTNER WANTED—On a Farm of 200 acres, with good house and out-buildings, garden, and 25 acres fenced. Only a small deposit required. Balance can remain at a low rate of interest.

\$10,000, in sums of not less than \$500, for Loan on Real Estate.

[my 20]

SPECIFIC BALSAM,
AN INFALLIBLE
AND
SPEEDY REMEDY

FOR ALL
Sores and Ulcers,

Either of a Specific or Inveterate character

For sale by

CURTIS & MOORE,
Druggists, Yates street.

[my 21d]

Victoria Jockey Club.

THE STEWARDS OF THE JOCKEY

Club have engaged the room in the COLONIST Office Building, adjoining Mr. Pointer's Store, during the race week, for the accommodation of members. Strangers will be admitted on the introduction of a member. The charge for strangers tickets for the week will be \$2 each.

The entries for the races will be posted in the room at 8 o'clock on the evening of the 21st.

The meeting for the election of members will be held on Monday the 21st, (advertised for 21st) at 2 o'clock, P.M. precisely.

The Stewards' Ordinance will be held on Friday the 24th, at the Colonial Restaurant. All persons desirous of dining are particularly requested to apply as early as possible for tickets, at the bar. No tickets will be issued after the evening of the 23d.

Price of tickets, including wine, \$5.00. DINNER on the table at 7 o'clock.

H. B. CAMPBELL,
Hon'y Secretary.

[my 16]

FOR SALE LOW,

NAILS, SUGAR, HARLEY, OATS, HAY

Bran, Middlings, in lots to suit purchasers, wholesale and retail, by

8 ANDERSON

[my 14] Cor. of Broad and View Sts.

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AUCTION.

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At 12 o'clock, M.

AT SALESROOM, WHARF ST., FOOT OF YATES,

TO CLOSE CONSIGNMENT,

ON A LIBERAL CREDIT,

500 cases, 1 doz each,

Booth & Co.'s Old Tom Gin;

100 cases, 1 doz each,

Anchor Gin, Green case.

■ Terms at Sale.

J. A. McCREA,
my 21d Auctioneer.

■ Terms at Sale.

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THE BRITISH COLONIST

Tuesday Morning, May 21, 1861.

MR. CARY'S MEETING.

Last evening the Lyceum was crowded by a large and respectable audience, who had assembled to hear Mr. Cary address his constituents in regard to his course as representative in Parliament of Victoria Town. Robertson Stewart, Esq., presided.

Mr. Cary commenced by saying that when his constituents had done him the honor to return him as their representative, he had determined that at the close of each session he would come before them. He had intended deferring such action till the House sat; but circumstances had rendered it necessary that he should show them what he had done, all that he asked was to have full play. During the last session, three very important measures had come before the House, viz.: Taxation, Incorporation of the Town, and Registration of Title Deeds. He had pledged himself to do all he could for the town and for the free-port, and therefore had introduced the Taxation scheme. We have got to exert every nerve to keep the free-port system, and at the same time do justice to the agriculturists. An attempt had been made to induce the Government to refund money paid for Crown land. He would never consent to such a thing. This Colony has suffered by immense tracts of land falling into the hands of speculators; to refund it would be a suicidal piece of folly. The agriculturists are suffering because they cannot compete with produce from other countries. £1,000 have been taken from the agricultural districts, and we have got to help them. The land around Victoria has been purchased by speculators for £1 per acre, and held for speculative purposes, but at a tax of 1 per cent, has been levied, and soon we shall have the speculators dropping their lands like hot potatoes. [A voice—'We'll have you, too, too.] A pre-emption system has lately been introduced into this Colony, and none but actual settlers can hold the land. This pre-emption system has built up America, and it is the only thing that will build up Victoria.

Some person in the gallery here attempted to speak, but was prevented by the audience.

Mr. Cary—in regard to any alterations that had taken place in the House, he was very sorry, and apologized for any part he had taken in them. All now needed was united action to push the Colony ahead. The *Incorporation Bill* was one on which a great variety of opinions had been expressed. The one he wished to give Victoria was simple and not expensive; an expensive one would be ruinous. The *Registration Bill* which had been passed and was now in force was nearly the same as in South Australia. When it was first introduced it was cried down by the lawyers; but it was now in successful operation. Under the bill there have been 49 registrations at an average cost of \$4 each. The Canadian and California systems were too complicated for this place. Under the latter system the neglect to do an "i" or cross a "t," would throw a cloud on a title. [No! No!] Under my law the Registrar's certificate is as good as gold. In almost all the titles to the land about Victoria it sold previous to 1858, there is something radically wrong. My law sets all right. The whole expense for registering a deed here is one-half that of Australia—and that was considered the cheapest in the world. You will have to register whether you wish to or not, if you wish to dispose of your property. The lawyers and land agents tell you not to register; but they only want to get the plunder.

Victoria must have direct steam navigation; and if we secure it once to Esquimalt we shall soon have a mail sub-dy. [Oh, that's played out.] Let us see if we can't get up a steamer of our own. To-morrow a memorial will be sent home to Her Majesty, asking a mail subsidy to this place. [A voice—The "humble classes" will sign it.] Every man should sign it. We want a Alien Bill here, and to put an end to the miserable, disintegrated state of the Colony, I shall introduce one at the next session, giving aliens nearly every privilege. [Applause.] We can't get along prosperously unless we admit to citizenship nearly every foreign resident in the Colony.

Mr. Cary next touched on the bankrupt Law, and declared that he would introduce a measure whereby a debtor, if he proved his innocence from fraud, might be discharged from his debts—and discharged from them forever. The manner of dealing out justice to Indians would also receive due attention, and the working of the law simplified to suit their cases.

Mr. Cary then touched upon all that important question—the Springs. His attention had been called to a paper in which he was pretty soundly abused. He found he ad got into hot water [laughter]. The statement had been published that he had stated in the House of Assembly, that the Springs were public property, and afterwards had purchased them of the Hudson Bay Company. He did not remember making any such remark, and Messrs. Helmcken and McDonald had since assured him that he had never said the Springs were public. Mr. Cochrane had asked him to join in the purchase, and he had done so, with the intention of bringing water into town. Did not know anything about the public claim on them at the time. It was essentially necessary for him as the representative of Victoria, to be "like Caesar's wife, above suspicion" [oh, oh!] If he had known that they were public Springs, would he have told everybody that he had bought them? [yes, yes, wanted to form an association.] He had as good a right to make money out of the water as anybody, provided it was not public property. He did not know it was wrong to buy them [bosh.] Last year he came to the Colony with a decent character [derisive laughter.] He had been vilified, denounced, persecuted, and followed into the very bosom of his family by a political clique who sought his ruin. He had been taken to the Police Court on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences, and found on the bench one of that same clique; when lying on a sick bed last summer his family had been slandered; he had traced the slander to its source, and had ascertained that it had originated with the same clique. In November last it was announced that the Springs had been bought by a private party—name not given. Why did not the COLONIST come out on that private purchaser. The reason the COLONIST opposed the purchase now was because he was the purchaser. A suit would be commenced against the Hudson Bay Company to see what right it had to dispose of the property. Mr. C. then read an extract from the COLONIST of August 4th, 1860, to show that no reply was made by him in reply to Mr. Waddington's remarks regarding the charge on watermen. Mr. Waddington had referred him to that paper.

Mr. Waddington—I beg your pardon. I gave you all the particulars [great applause], and you said, "Then I have made a fool of myself;" and you asked me if I couldn't get you out of the hole.

Mr. Cary—I said I might have replied to your remarks inadvertently; but Mr. Helmcken and Mr. McDonald have assured me I made no reply.

A voice—Didn't you know the Springs were public property?

Mr. Cary—No, I did not.

Another voice—in the Victoria Gazette before the sale of the H. B. property, a notice appeared suggesting that the Springs be set aside as a public reserve. Mr. Cochrane says he bought them as long ago as last November.

Mr. Cary—Not so.

Loud calls for Cochrane, in the midst of which that gentleman appeared, and was received with a tremendous storm of hisses and groans.)

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Mr. Young—The three Assessors were the men who promised not to vote against De Cosmos; they then voted for Gordon and returned him, and were appointed Assessors by the Governor at the instance of his legal adviser.

Mr. Cary here retired, amid mingled hisses and applause.

Major Foster, M. P. P., being called for, made a few remarks, reviewing the speech of Mr. Cary and his course in the Legislature, and with regard to the Springs. The Major took the ground that the Governor's name had been dragged into the question of the Springs by Mr. Cary, and he hoped His Excellency would be informed of the remarks made about him.

Mr. Waddington, M. P. P., spoke of the course Mr. Cary had pursued in the Legislature. He had supported the bill for the protection of the medical profession, the legal profession, and other onerous measures; had prevented the liquor dealers from obtaining a reduction in their license; had made a statement one day in the House that "when the Civil List was granted the lands of the Colony would be given over to it, and on the third day thereafter had found him denying having ever said so, and many other statements of a like nature. Mr. W. said he would state the conversation that passed between him and Mr. Cary in regard to the S. rings.

Mr. Cary begged the gentleman not to mention one statement, and crossing the stage whispered into Mr. W.'s ear.

Mr. Waddington detailed a conversation that passed between himself and Mr. Cary, at the former's lodgings, with regard to the Springs, it is the course of which Cary said that he came to ask his advice in regard to the hobby he had got into. Mr. W. advised him to give up his claim, but he said he could not, as Co-hrane was interested with him. I said, "you are the legal adviser of the Crown to buy a piece of property, surprises me." Mr. Cary replied, "You know how busy I am, how my time is taken up." The rest I cannot tell because Mr. Cary says I promised not to.

Mr. Cary— Didn't I say that the H. B. Co. had made an oafswap of me?

Mr. Waddington—You did.

Mr. Cary—I acknowledge doing a very foolish thing—I was stupid for paying money for property without looking at the title.

Mr. De Cosmos then addressed the meeting and called upon the people present to express their opinion to-night as to the conduct of the Attorney-General.

Mr. Cary asked not at this meeting—call another one if you wish—but not at this.

Mr. De Cosmos was satisfied with that arrangement, and after some further remarks concluded and the meeting separated.

[NOTE.—The lateness of the hour at which the report was handed in, combined with our limited space, precludes the possibility of giving more than a bare outline of the proceedings, which were of vital interest to every resident of the Colony. An editorial article which had prepared on the subject is crowded out to-morrow.]

A DESPERATE FELLOW.—Special Officer Weihe on Sunday night caught a drunken buck Indian parading up and down Government street with a loaded shot-gun on his shoulder, apparently looking for a chance to make game of some unfortunate wayfarer. The officer took the buck to the station-house, and yesterday Mr. Pemberton fined him 5s, and announced that the gun would be retained until he was ready to go North, when it would be delivered up. The victim paid the fine and went off—but the gun didn't.

A DRUNKEN SQUAW.—A Stickeen squaw, rejoicing in the rather masculine title of "Captain Jack," was before the magistrate yesterday on a charge of having been drunk the day before and kicking up shindies on Wharf street; also for abusing a special officer Sheppard like a pickpocket. The "Captain" looked decidedly chlopallen, and having pleaded guilty, paid a fine of 5s, and entered into recognizances to behave herself like a Christian for the ensuing two months.

NEARLY DROWNED.—A little girl, three years of age, the child of a Mr. Waldron, a colored man, fell into a well on Mears street yesterday evening. It was rescued in an exhausted condition, and last night was considered dangerously ill.

IMPORTANT.—Dispatches were received by Admiral Maitland per last steamer, advising him that a regiment of soldiers would be sent from England, and ordering the erection of substantial barracks at Victoria for their reception.

AUCTION.—J. A. McCrea will hold an extensive Trade Sale of Groceries and Provisions, Hardware, Case Goods, Cutlery, etc., this day, at 12 o'clock, noon, at his salesroom. A liberal credit will be given.

JAMES DOWDY.—James Dowdy, for being drunk and using threatening language towards officer Taylor, was yesterday fined 50s, and ordered to enter into recognizances to be of good behavior for three months.

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PROGRAMME:

FIRST DAY.

1 Trial Stakes—Entrance \$10, with \$50 added by the Club, for horses bred on Vancouver Island and its dependencies. Weight, 3 yrs old, 8 t. 4 d.; 9 t. 5 d. and upwards, 1st 7 lbs. Distance, mile heats 9t. 5d.

2 Queen's Plate—\$100, in specie added to a sweepstakes of \$50 each. Horses entered not to be sold, to carry 10st.; if to be sold, \$75; allowed 7 lbs.; if for \$50, 14 lbs.; if for \$250, 21 lbs. Distance, 2 miles.

3 Selling Stakes of \$10 each, with \$50 added. All horses entered subject to be sold for \$250 weight, 11st. each. If to be sold for \$200, allowed 7 lbs.; if for \$150, 12 lbs.; if for \$100, 18 lbs. The winner to be sold by auction immediately after the race, and the surplus, if any, to go to the Race Fund. Distance, 2 miles.

4 A Purse given by the Officers of H. M. Navy, added to a sweepstakes of \$10 each, for horses of all denominations; weight for age; distance, 2 miles. The winner of any of the previous races of this meeting to carry 7 lbs extra, and of the Queen's plate 14 lbs; to be ridden by Officer of H. M. Navy or members of the Jockey Club.

SECOND DAY.

1 Welter Stakes of \$10 each, with \$50 added, for horses of all denominations. Weight 13 stone; distance, 2 miles.

2 Jockey Club Stakes of \$20 each with \$20 added, for horses of all denominations. 3 yrs old, 8t. 4v. 9st.; 5 and aged, 9t. 7 lbs; distance, 2 miles; the winner of the Queen's plate to carry 14 lbs extra.

3 A Purse given by the ladies of Victoria, V. I. Extra £5, for horses of all odd nominations; catch weight; winners of previous races disqualified; to be ridden by members of the Jockey Club; mile heats.

4 Hurdle Race—A sweepstakes of \$15 each, with 10st. added; weight, 12 stone; 4 hurdles height four feet; mile heats.

5 Consolation Scramble—\$25 given by the Club to beaten horses; weight for age; distance, one mile.

RULES.

1 The Steward's decision to be final on all details connected with the Races.

2 All entries to be made by sealed letters addressed to the Honorable Secretary of the Jockey Club, Post Office, Victoria, with the entrance money to be enclosed, on or before six o'clock on the evening of the 21st May.

3 Colors must be declared to the Honorable Secretary at the same time, or a fine of \$5 will be levied to go to the Race Fund. Any Jockey riding without colors will be fined \$10.

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